

REMARKS

The BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS section has been amended to refer to color drawings pursuant to 37 CFR 1.84(a)(2)(iv). The References Cited section has been deleted from the specification and the references will be cited in an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98. The claims have been amended to correct informalities.

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be entered before the examination of the present application. The claims as provided herein are believed allowable over all the art of record.

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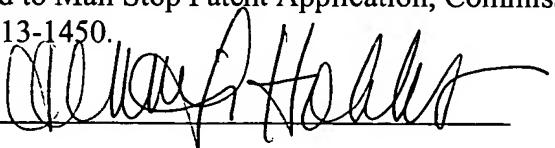
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